

**COTTON ADVANCED
ABOUT \$4 A BALE****Market Very Active for Past Six Days
—Review of Conditions.**

New York, Aug. 22.—The cotton market has been very much more active during the past week, with prices selling up nearly 30 points or about \$4 per bale, from recent low records on general buying inspired by a less favorable view of the coming crop. The continuation of dry, hot weather in the southwest, was accompanied by numerous reports of serious deterioration in the crop outlook both in Texas and Oklahoma, while scattering reports of deterioration also came in from the eastern belt, and, at times the market seemed nearer a crop scare than at any other period so far this season. Probably an idea that the almost universally favorable view of the prospective yield prevailing earlier in the summer had resulted in the formation of a very large short interest contributed to the advance and bulls also argued that too many people were waiting for the new crop movement to making a buying basis. Reports of scattering rains or showers in the southwest checked the upward movements around 11.65 for December contracts, however, and the market today was nervous and irregular, with sellers claiming that neither the advance nor the character of the crop news had materially stimulated the demand from the spinners and that the reduction in the short interest would render the market much more sensitive to any real break in the drought, or to increasing new crop receipts. Bearish views were less generally and more guardedly expressed than earlier in the month, however, suggesting that the developments of the week had shaken confidence in the very large crop views to some extent, and while it was felt that many depended upon whether the southwestern drought was effectually broken, many traders were predicting continued nervousness pending publication of the September bureau. This report, which is expected at noon Sept. 2, is now thought likely to show a considerable deterioration for the month, although some predict that actual condition will prove nearly equal to the September bureau of 1911.

Recent expansion in commercial activity is generally maintained, although more or less irregularity is

manifest in reports from the leading trade centers. The holiday season tends to restrict current demands, yet the movement of merchandise continues liberal and the low position of stocks at all points leads to increased preparations for future requirements. Notwithstanding the deterioration in corn, agricultural prospects are favorable and confidence is fully sustained, sentiment responding to the improvement in the monetary situation. Enlarged offerings of accommodation are noted at a recession in rates, and the forthcoming distribution of Government funds is expected to prevent any financial stringency this fall.

Poplar Spring Dots.

Poplar Spring, Aug. 23.—We are having the best rain of the season, a gentle drizzle, but it has come too late to do old corn much good, but will do the cotton good and is fine on potatoes, turnips and peas. The lice are injuring the cotton badly. Just to see it, it looks like rust, but when you examine it closely the under side of the leaves are covered with lice. They are larger than the red spider and of a whitish color. Some fields are badly affected with them.

Mrs. Eugene Mitchell and children, of Greenville, are visiting relatives in this community.

Mr. H. O. Walker accompanied by Mr. Eliza Bagwell, visited his brother, Mr. Level Walker, who has been quite sick, the first of the week. We are glad to say he found him better.

Mrs. J. B. Pitts and Mrs. Jas. H. Wood are quite sick at this writing, but we hope they will soon be better.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Davis and children went to Atlanta last week to Mrs. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Garrett, returning this week.

The Boyd family had a picnic at Boyd's old mill Wednesday, attended by a large number of the relatives and friends. They had a fine picnic dinner which was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. J. P. Simmons and family spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wallace yesterday.

Mr. A. O. Copeland has just completed a large barn.

Fodder pulling is the order of the day among the farmers now. Cotton is beginning to open and soon cotton picking will take the place of fodder pulling.

NEWS FROM JONES.

Jones, Aug. 25.—Little Willie Chum-pert recently sustained a severe fracture of the skull from a fall. He may possibly recover from the injury.

Mrs. Emerson and son, of Florida, are visiting the former's brother, Mr. T. J. Beacham.

Messrs. Henry Beeks, of Richmond, and Bennett Beeks, of Wilmington, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Beeks.

Mrs. Dr. Willie T. Jones and son, Walter, are visiting relatives in Strother.

Mrs. G. L. Graham has returned from a visit to relatives in Spartanburg and Williamston.

We recently had a pleasant call from our friends Messrs. Foster and Floyd Seawright.

Mr. Plunkett Oulla visited his brother, Ernest, in Florence last week.

Mr. J. A. Blackwell, of Atlanta, is on a visit to relatives here.

We are indebted to our friend, Mr. Sam McNinch, for some choice fruits.

We were very sorry to hear of the critical illness of Hon. J. W. Ashley and hope he may soon recover.

We recently met Miss Louise Emerson, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of our good friend, Mr. W. H. Emerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cork, of Ga., are visiting relatives here.

All honor to the good people of Abbeville, for overwhelmingly defeating the effort to reinstate the dispensary.

Mrs. Toccoa Cannon, of Abbeville, is visiting the family of Dr. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hughes have returned from a trip to Washington.

We extend congratulations to Mr. Coleman Davis and Miss Stoner, of Enoree, who were married last week.

Mr. G. B. Riley sold the 1st bale of cotton to the Ware Shoals Mfg. Co.

Prof. J. C. Cook, of Rock Hill, is visiting his brother, Mr. Jas. Cook. Prof. Cook was reared here and his friends are always delighted to see him.

Messrs. Walter and Frank Jones have fine crops.

Mr. G. H. Elledge, son of Porter Elledge, after an absence of 3 years in Cuba, has returned home.

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MAY PUNISH LEADERS OF MOB.**Foreman of Spartanburg Grand Jury Wants Rioters Tried.**

Spartanburg, August 21.—If W. G. Query, foreman of the grand jury, can bring it to pass leaders of the mob who stormed the Spartanburg jail Monday night in an effort to lynch Will Fair, the negro accused of assaulting a white woman, will be called to account. Mr. Query, who lives at Wellford, came to the city today and said he would do all in his power to bring the mob leaders to trial. He was particularly indignant against those who exploded dynamite against the jail wall and expressed the hope that there rioters would be brought within the grand jury's jurisdiction. He said it would not be his fault, if they were not indicted.

CHESTER - ASTOR ELECTED.**To Fill Place in Union Theological Seminary. Dr. Strickler's Place Filled.**

Richmond, Va. Aug. 22.—Announcement was made today that Dr. A. P. D. Gilmour of Purity Presbyterian church of Chester, S. C., was, on August 19, elected professor of church polity and history at Union Theological seminary to succeed Dr. Thomas Carry Johnson, who has been elevated to the chair of systematic theology, made vacant by the recent death of Dr. Givens B. Strickler, who passed away in Atlanta, Ga., after being stricken with his fatal illness at the home of his daughter in Laurens.

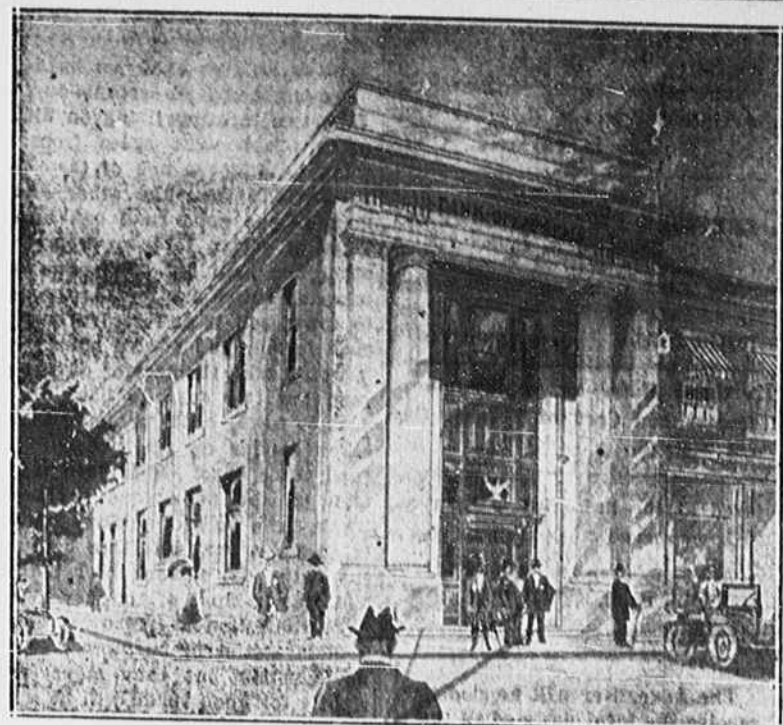
Before going to Chester two years ago Dr. Gilmour filled the position of financial secretary at the seminary and also assistant professor of Hebrew. It is believed that he will accept the professorship to which he has just been elected.

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